

NOTICE TO TEACHERS:—Public examinations for the benefit of those persons desiring to teach in Bates county, will be held on the 3d Saturday of each month in the Ohio street school house, Butler, Mo., and on the 1st Saturday of each month in the West side school house, Rich Hill, Mo., the examination commencing each day at 9 o'clock, A. M.

J. H. HINTON,
County School Commissioner.

LOCAL ITEMS

J. K. Brugler wants a lot of good farm loans, running from 6 to 18 months. This is a good chance for farmers to get short loans, or sell short real estate paper.

T. P. Anderson has finished his contract of grading on the Emporia road and has gone with his teams to work on the Nevada & Minden.

We understand there is no let up to the flow of the oil well on the farm of Mr. Henderson, in the northwestern part of this county.

A new paper called The Bee, has been started at East Lynn, Cass county. Heretofore the ventures have not proved a success, but we hope the future is brighter and the Bee will buzz.

The grand jury of Warren county has just adjourned without finding an indictment or examining a witness. This makes the third successive term the same thing has taken place.

Colonel Pat Murphy, a prominent capitalist of Joplin, is in the city. He reports that there will be trouble in his district when Congressman Stone comes before the next nominating convention.—K. C. Times.

A man named T. B. Sell committed suicide at his home in Ash Grove a few days ago by hanging himself to a rafter in the kitchen. Family troubles was the cause, according to a note which he left behind.

Let the business men of Butler call a meeting at the court house one night this week for the purpose of making a pull for the branch pen. There is nothing gained or made by lying still. Friday night would be a propitious time.

The TIMES extends its most sincere sympathies to friends Hawkins & Middleton, in the loss by fire of their paper, last Wednesday the Harrisonville Democrat. The office was insured for \$1,800 but was worth in the neighborhood of \$3,000.

S. W. Jewett, a fruit grower of note, says to cover apples up with fire coal ashes from fourteen to eighteen inches deep on top of the ground, they will keep the year around. It will do no harm for some of our farmers to try the experiment.

The Emporia is leaving the Mo. Pacific track south of the city as fast as hands can lay the iron rails. Already several hundred yards of track has been laid and a large force of men are at work. Ere long the whistle of the engine will be heard in the corporate limits of Walnut.

Bates county can offer better inducements for the location of the branch penitentiary than any other point in the state. The fine rock quarries near Butler are of their self sufficient inducements, to say nothing of the endless supply of coal and other minerals. Now is the time to strike.

We see from the Sun that the bar of Osceola held a meeting last week for the purpose of paying their last respects to the services and memory of Judge Waldo P. Johnson. Appropriate speeches were made by John H. Lucas, Hon. H. Clay Dean, W. I. Stone, Judge Burton and J. O. Parkinson.

E. D. Porter has been recommended for postmaster at Joplin by Congressman Stone over the head of A. W. Carson, editor of the Joplin Herald, who was a candidate for the place. Mr. Stone can do the wrong thing oftener than anybody we know of. If he continues to bow down to the political dudes it will be just two years from the time he took Charlie Morgan's seat until that gentleman will resume it.—Neosho Times.

Misses Mary McBride, Carrie Walls and Bessie Nave complimented the TIMES office with a pleasant call Tuesday.

Hon. J. N. Ballard just returned from Putman county with 140 head of very fine cattle, which he will feed on his farm in the east part of the county the coming winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cooper, of Warrensburg, uncle and aunt of Mrs. W. H. Walton, were visiting the latter the last of the week and left for home Monday morning.

The town middle editor is home again. He disappointed us last week, as we expected about three columns and he only gave us two and a half. He must do better this week or he may lose some subscribers.

What does the petticoat organ mean by harping on the "high and low," that the TIMES incidentally mentioned. Surely the editor of that paper is not so ignorant that he cannot understand plain english.

J. T. Shannon, one of the best millers in Missouri and a perfect gentleman, with Faylor & Son, of Rich Hill, was in the city Thursday. He sold about 2400 pounds of Faylor's best flour in about three hours and returned home on the night train.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, four miles northwest of Butler, November 1, 1885, by Esquire Cannon, Mr. Ed P. Henderson to Miss Nevada A. Jones. The TIMES returns thanks for a beautiful supply of elegant cake, and extends congratulations to the happy couple and best wishes for a long and prosperous life of wedded bliss.

Geo. Levisay, of whom we made mention last week as being charged with stealing a horse from Robert Pilcher, was arraigned before Esq. F. M. Taylor, of Altona, Friday last, and waived examination. He claimed that he did not take the animal with the intention of stealing it, and intended to return it again. It is to be hoped his story is true and that he will be able to substantiate the same.

It gives us pleasure to state that W. L. Powell, charged with the theft of Ben B. Canterbury's abstract books, was honorably acquitted. The trial took place before Esquire Cannon Wednesday of last week and consumed the entire day. Mr. Powell has been very gentlemanly in all his conduct and attentive to business since his debut in our city, and has made many warm friends who were glad to see him come out all right.

J. Scudder was in the city Monday and gave us a pleasant call. He informed us that he had gone to farming and stock raising in real earnest. He has a large farm near Adrian and is busy putting it in shape for stock raising. He has already purchased a number of cows and is still buying. It is his intention to milk the cows and manufacture the cream into butter. Mr. Scudder has adopted the right plan for money making and success is sure if followed up.

Col. Ed. S. Vance informs us that he will pack his grip this week, and after rustivating a week or two among friends in the county will leave for Washington City to spend the winter. The Col. expects to rub up against the wise men of the nation and ask at their hands an office under the first democratic administration in these twenty odd years. Ed. is reliably democratic and thoroughly competent to fill any position he may seek, and the TIMES has none but the best of wishes for him.

The Adrian Advertiser says the M. P. church has accepted the proposition of the citizens of Adrian to build a college in that town. As the matter is finally settled so far as the church is concerned, we will wait and see now just how bad the citizens of Adrian want the location of the school. All that the church asks is three thousand dollars and the grounds upon which to put the building. The amount asked of the citizens by the church is insignificant and we feel sure they will meet the demand without delay.

The state meeting of the Christian church has agreed to raise 250,000 for the purpose of endowing a Christian university at Canton, Mo., and the Camden Point Female Orphan school. The membership in the state is over 80,000.

Amp. Hopkins, county collector of Henry county made a close call of it last week, so says the daily Advocate. He had been suffering for several days with a violent colic, and getting no relief called in a physician who administered a hyperdermic injection of morphine. The dose proved to be too powerful and it was with the greatest effort that his life was saved.

As all other places have failed why not Butler make a pull for the branch penitentiary. We have an unexhaustible supply of a fine building rock a few miles southeast of town as can be found in the state and by the utilization of convict labor these quarries could be opened up and made pay handsomely. Let us put our heads together and make a pull for the pen. It will advertise our county even should the Governor veto the location.

Mr. Henderson was in town on Tuesday and reports the oil business still booming. He says that McCartney & Warner of the New York company will commence boring in a few days, and that they intend to put down a hundred wells yet this fall. The first one will be sunk just a few rods east of the old well. There was a man from St. Joe there looking up the matter a few days ago; also he is receiving letters from a Pleasant Hill man. Other parties who have leases will commence operations immediately.—Adrian Advertiser.

From the Nevada Mail we judge that the railroad from that city to Minden is not such an assured fact as they at first supposed. It appears that the boys are getting tired of going down into their pockets in the interest of railroads, or they have about ridden a free horse to death, as the amount of subscription required is not forthcoming. The TIMES regrets to learn this, as we had hoped that our sister city would secure this road, which would prove a great benefit to her. We think the business men and property holders but stand in their own light when they let this project slip through their fingers.

Sheriff Hanks brought Jno. T. Leabo over from the Clinton jail Monday. Outside of showing his close confinement he appears to have been enjoying good health and is in as fine spirit as a man could be under the circumstances. This makes the third time he has appeared for trial on the charge of murdering his wife in 1883. On the first trial the jury were only out a short time when they brought in a verdict of guilty and the death sentence was passed on him by the court. His attorneys appealed his case to the supreme court and on technicalities it was returned for a new hearing, which came up at our June term of court and resulted in a hung jury. It is sincerely hoped that the matter will be finally decided this time, and if the prisoner is guilty, punish him, but if he be innocent give him his liberty.

Ed. Carnes, our enterprising and accommodating depot agent has purchased the Butler Elevators of Ben Hall. The purchase will not interfere with the lease which Mr. W. M. Wilson holds from Mr. Hall and that gentleman will go right along paying the highest market price for grain. In addition to buying the elevators we understand Mr. Carnes contemplates in connection with another gentleman to erect a fine roller flouring mill and run it in connection with the elevator. Mr. Carnes is an energetic wide-awake man, and if he undertakes the building of this mill he will do it. The TIMES would be glad to see a roller mill in this city and will lend all the aid in its power. As the matter now stands the large majority of flour sold in our market is shipped from other points, and this should not be the case. Up with the mill, Mr. Carnes.

Murder at Shobe.

Again the fair name of Bates county has been besmirched with a murder and her fertile soil made to lick up the blood of Joe Hern at the hands of Ed. Patton.

The killing took place at Shobe, a small coal town a short distance this side of Rich Hill, Monday evening. The particulars, as near as a TIMES man could get them are that the two had a dispute and Herndrew his knife to carve Patton when the latter struck him with an ax heave on the head and killed him.

Patton was immediately arrested and Tuesday morning brought to Butler and placed in jail, where about 8 o'clock he was waited on by a TIMES reporter for the purpose of gaining the full and true particulars of the affair. The scribe found Patton, who is a young man appearing to be about twenty one or two years of age seated in the cage up stairs and with the warm blood of his victim yet dripping from his fingers was amusing himself by playing a game of cards with a fellow prisoner. The TIMES man politely made known his business to Patton and endeavored in vain to elicit the cause which led to the killing, but the wretch was too deeply interested in the game of cards to even treat us civilly and with the blood fairly curdling in our veins we withdrew from the poor miserable creature with no remorse or conscience and left him to enjoy his cards. Be the man he killed what he may, his blood would wash the soul of his slayer whiter than snow.

We see from the Holden Enterprise that Miss Lillie Liddle, a charming young lady of that town came within a hair's breadth of losing her life by trying to play a practical joke on her neighbor, Mrs. S. W. Jurden, Saturday night. She masked herself and appeared at the front door of her neighbor and knocked. Mr. Jurden responded to the call instead of his wife and supposing the intruder to be a man, and a hard looking citizen at that, ordered him to leave the premises at once, but the masked stranger refused to go, and Mr. Jurden went for his pistol. When he came back the stranger was still standing at the door. He stepped toward him and placing the self-acting bull dog pistol close to his breast and made three attempts to pull it off, but as the Enterprise says the hand of destiny held the bullets in their place and the life of the young lady was saved. It was a very foolish experiment in the young lady and it she had lost her life, which it seems was saved by a miracle, the blame could have attached to no one but herself.

In a private letter, Geo. Vest, Jr., who is in Liverpool, writes: "I am sorry to see in the Republican that Gov. Marmaduke has vetoed the Vine Clad City as the penitentiary site. It gratifies me to intercede at all in the matter, I am sure the Advertiser would have won. So Foraker has beaten Hoadley in Ohio. This is the beginning of a series of beatings such as I fear we never saw before. It shows how ridiculous is the idea of a compromise in politics. A principle admits of no doubtful construction. The democratic party can not safely fraternize with 'mugwumps' in any emergency. The cant sayings, broad views, and liberality in politics, as in religion, mean in plain language, no views, no beliefs—for, however broad and liberal a man may be, he must have some fixed idea, and it the difference between that idea and another be one thousand miles, or only this paper's width, they are equally irreconcilable." All of which goes to show George Vest, Jr., is a "chip of the old block," and his head is equally as level. There is no mugwumpery in the rising young democracy.

To The Public.

Having leased the Allen Day boarding house on Dakota street, and having thoroughly renovated and refitted the same, I desire to say to the public that I can furnish them with first-class board at reasonable rates. The tables are supplied with the very best the market affords, and none but first-class cooks employed. If you want a nice, quiet place to board give us a call.

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Mules Wanted.

I will be in Butler, Saturdays the 3rd, 10th and 17th of October to buy mule colts, for which I will pay the highest price in cash.

BEN POWELL.

Farm for Sale.

I will sell my farm, situated in section 1, in summit township, 15 hundred acres. Divided in lots to suit purchaser. Terms easy.

A. HAMILTON.

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